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A MIXED-UP WORLD

There's plenty to do in this mixed-up world
For all of us each day,
Sweeping the dirt beneath the rug
Is not the honest way.

Let's clean up the human misery,
Hypocrisy, greed and hate,
And practice the noble things we preach
Before it is too late

Too long have we worshipped material things,
With our eyes on worthless goals,
Improving our gadgets and machines
But not improving our souls.

Too long have we turned away from God
And disobeyed His commands;
Too many speak of serving Him
With unwilling hearts and hands.

The angels must weep as they look at man,
Now striving to conquer space
Before he has learned to conquer himself
And make earth a decent place.

What can we hope to do on the moon
Or on some planet afar?
When so much good is left undone
Down here, right where we are!

—Andy Razaf

The Editor's Page

GLEANINGS FOR YOUR FILES

***Judge Samuel Leibowitz of Brooklyn, nationally known, and whom the editor and his wife were privileged to meet during the summer of 1958, is quoted by the United Press as declaring: "The young criminal today—though he may be barely out of knee-pants—is more brazen, more cynical, more sadistic than the toughest gangsters of the Capone era.". Judge Leibowitz is deeply interested in young people and gives much time and effort in the endeavor to alleviate the juvenile delinquency problem.

***The Census Bureau estimates that the U. S. population will reach 234,000,000 by 1980 at the present rate of growth, and that it will go as high as 280,000,000 if there are further increases in birth rates.

The number of households, on the basis of existing rates of formation, will increase from 50,400,000 in 1958 to 69,000,000 by 1980. If the rate of family formation increases, as the experts assume it will, the total might go as high as 76,000,000.

***A total of $63,500,000 was spent, according to advance estimates, in alcoholic beverage advertising in newspapers in 1958. This is a decline of 7.9% below the $68,934,000 spent in 1957. Beer advertising in newspapers was down to $13,900,000 in 1958 from $17,561,000 the previous year—a drop of 20.8 percent. Wines dropped 11.1% from $1,574,000 to $1,400,000 and liquors dropped 3.2% from $49,799,000 in 1957 to $48,200,000 in 1958.

***The ten top brewers' advertising expenditures nearly doubled between 1952-1957. They are estimated to have sp about $39,000,000 in 1952 and $70,000,0 in 1957. They also accounted for ab 46% of the total brewers' sales in 19 whereas in 1940, they accounted for 2 of total sales. The estimated total amo of beer produced in 1958 was 84,250,0 barrels.

***The "Man of Distinction" has had day—it is now the "Lady of Distinctio who is being used by Calvert Distill to lure more people to the path of exti tion by alcohol. This so-called "Lady Distinction" was to make her appearan in about 50 or 60 newspapers start March 9th and in the March 13th iss of *Life*.

The "Lady of Distinction" campa will be patterned after the "Man of D tinction" campaign which ran from 1 through 1956.

The campaign follows the removal the self-imposed ban on the use of wor in advertising, which, along with the ceptance of liquor by *The Saturday Ev ing Post* is regarded by the liquor ind try as the most important developme it has experienced since the repeal of 18th Amendment.

***Promotion of the use of liquor women—through ads—has been blas by the Syracuse Federation of Wome Clubs. A national directive has b issued by Miss Chloe Gifford, presid of the General Federation of Wome Clubs urging its members to fight programs adopted by the liquor indus that are slanted toward women. M Gifford said it was her "hope that club will open its program to women presenting distillers." Schenley had

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nced that it was setting up a group of saleswomen to operate as a mobile s crew, calling on retailers to sug- t drink promotions and also to address nen's groups and provide hints for rtainment. Said Mrs. John R. Coburn, l federation president, "We will unite bhorence of any such type of program- g. We would be shocked to show any peration with the distillers—we'll e no part in promoting the use of alco- No right-thinking woman would help romoting its use."

he Women's Association of the Alco- c Beverage Industries is reported to frown on the development. The prob- ity is that Schenley and Seagram will off their activities in this direction he present.

A total of over $410,000,000 was nt in alcoholic beverage advertising nduce the people of America to spend 670,000,000 in the consumption of 3,315,000 gallons in 1957.

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ORAL ISSUE BILLS INTRODUCED IN THE PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

th the 143rd Legislative Assembly of nsylvania now in session, the usual l of moral issue bills have been intro- d—some of them good, some of them At this writing a total of forty five have been introduced, dealing with r, the Lord's Day, and with gam- g. All of these bills are still in com- ee. There are a few good bills that for the support of the church forces in the state, and there are some bad that call for vigorous opposition.

nong the liquor bills are several that dministrative, and others that do not t the sale and consumption of alco- beverages. There are several, how- on which we need to be especially ed. Among those to be opposed are 4 to transfer beer license to liquor se within the quota, referred to the te Law and Order Committee, of h Senator Douglas H. Elliott is chair- Senate Post Office, Harrisburg, Pa. e opposed in the House are H—114, se ball park beer bill, H—200 to take try clubs out of quota and H—477 to permit temporary five day permits, all referred to the Liquor Control Committee of which William Reidenback, House Post Office, Harrisburg, Pa., is chairman.

Bills to be supported in the House are H—562 to eliminate transfer of distributor licenses from one municipality to another within a county, and H—581 to ban $10.00 a day in offers of compromise, these also referred to the Liquor Control Committee as above.

There are two pari-mutual bills that call for the utmost opposition, H—3, now in the House Law and Order Committee of which Charles J. Mills, House Post Office, Harrisburg, is chairman, and bi-partisan bill S—354, now in the Senate State Government Committee of which Senator G. Robert Watkins, Senate Post Office, Harrisburg, Pa., is chairman.

This bill, S—384 should have been referred to the Law and Order Committee. That is where it belongs by long established custom. But there was some doubt whether the Law and Order Committee would approve horse-race gambling. In order to get around this difficulty, the Lieutenant governor of Pennsylvania, John Morgan Davis, who has no vote, but who acts as presiding officer in the State Senate, did a fast-fix by referring S—384 to the Senate State Government Committee.

With Senator Watkins, Senate Post Office, Harrisburg, Pa., a co-sponsor of this bill and chairman of the State Government Committee, it can be assumed that he will give the bill prompt and sympathetic consideration. Since Senator Watkins is a breeder of thoroughbreds and owner of a string of race horses, it is not anticipated that he will give the bill completely disinterested attention.

Letters regarding the above bills should be addressed to the chairman of the committees to which the bills have been referred. With Governor Lawrence reported ready to sign a race track gambling bill once it comes to his desk, the situation is quite different than it was two years ago when Governor Leader was on record as ready to veto any such measure. Prompt, vigorous and sustained opposition is required to prevent the passage of a race track gambling bill this session.

THE STATE AND THE BIBLE

"This Is A Christian Nation"
—United States Supreme Court in the Trinity Church Case

THE STATE

According to the Bible *civil government is an ordinance of God.* That is, civil government is a divine institution just as the church and the family are divine institutions. Civil rulers are meant to be ministers of God, a terror to evil doers and the protectors of the good and law-abiding citizens. The rulers themselves are not above the law but under God and accountable to Him for their actions. See Romans 13:1-6.

The State then is a moral being, capable of making choices, framing policies, and taking action. As such it has a moral and religious character of its own. That character is determined by the moral standards, the religious ideals, the institutions and customs of the people that set up the government. In this country founded by Christian men with its common laws and institutions based on the Ten Commandments, and the teachings of the Prophets and of our Lord Jesus Christ, the moral and religious character of the state is to a large degree that of the truths of Christianity.

The great law of Pennsylvania, which was adopted December 7, 1682, says, "The glory of Almighty God and the good of mankind is the reason and end of government, and therefore government in itself is a venerable ordinance of God." For decades now minority elements have been pushing government from a Christian to a secular basis, thus destroying the foundation on which this nation was built, and which is the source of its greatness.

THE BIBLE

The Bible has commands, instructions, threatenings, and promises for nations and their rulers as well as for individuals, families and churches. The Bible belongs to the State as much as to the Church, and gives specific guidance for all in authority. The moral instruction that comes from the Bible has validity and power because the Bible is the Word of God. This latter statement we make without argument since the Book is universally accepted by Christians of all denominations as in some sense the Word of God, a divine revelation.

The Bible is the source of our freedom. The Preamble to our State Constitution reads as follows: "We the people of the State of California, grateful to Almighty God for our freedom, to secure and perpetuate its blessings do establish this Constitution." But our knowledge of Almighty God comes only from the Bible, and if we are going to secure and perpetuate the blessings of freedom then the State has to impart a knowledge of the mighty God to each oncoming generation. This it can do only by the use of the Bible in its public schools.

SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND ST

We stand firmly for the separation of church and state. This principle is the source of our liberties, but it is an effective instrument for the preservation of our liberties. It is an effective instrument only when it is understood to mean what the founding fathers intended it to mean. The first Amendment says, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion." This is the basis for what we call the "separation of Church and state." It means simply that the state shall not be united with any particular denomination or church, such as the Roman Catholic, the Episcopal, Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist, or any other denomination or sect. The various denominations and sects thus stand on a basis of equality before the law, and the government protects all impartially as long as they do not make themselves a public nuisance.

The Bible, however, is in a different category and is not an "establishment of religion. *It is the authoritative source book for every area of life,* and it may not be ruled out of any one area by misconstruing the terms of the First Amendment. The preservation of our liberties depends upon the restoration of the Bible to its rightful place in public education.

RIGHTS OF MINORITIES

Minorities, with the exception of the negroes, came to this country because this is the land of the free and the land of opportunity. It is the land of the free because the structure of the government and its administration are based on Biblical principles and teachings as to the origin and nature of man, the sovereignty of God to whom nations and their rulers are subject, and the origin and nature of evil in the world, and the meaning and purpose of life.

Minorities must be protected in their legitimate rights, but minorities have no right to oppose and destroy the taproot of their freedom and ours, the reading of the Bible in the public schools of the nation.

URPOSE OF STATE EDUCATION

ıe right of the State to educate is erally admitted but denied by some. oelieve the state has the right to edu- to effect the unity of the nation, and train the rising generation for the es and responsibilities of citizen-. Good citizenship calls for citizens are both intelligent and moral. Since is the case nothing should be omit- from the educational program that is ssary for the best preparation for the re citizen. The kind of education the e has a right to give is determined by nature and authority of the State as forth above. Good citizens are those are obedient to the authority and s of the State for conscience sake. s is obedience because it is right and e in authority ministers of God. That es the difference between a demo- ic and a police state.

Nowhere is the question of enduring dations more critical than in modern cational theory. The reason is ob- s: The foremost thinker of modern cation, John Dewey, and his followers ly and defiantly assaulted the moral spiritual foundations on which West- education and culture were estab- ed. Clad in the bright new armor of matism and progressive education declared war with a vengeance. ry last stronghold of fixed values and is had to go."

—S. A. Witmer

hn Comenius on the other hand got ciples of education from the double lation of God in nature and in the l of God. "Among these principles the following: (1) Human beings are nal, moral creatures who have limit- value in the sight of God. (2) The of education is to achieve God's will destiny for man. (3) The context of cation is the redemptive purpose of through Jesus Christ. It is a universe which there is moral authority in the of God and divine love and compas- in His nature. (4) The educational ess takes place not only in social raction but in divine-human inter- on." —S. A. Witmer.

THE BIBLE N THE HANDS OF THE STATE

e State would use the Bible in the ic schools for its educational value; ts revelation of the origin and nature an and the origin and nature of evil ıe world; for its primitive history of kind; for the revelation of the hand of in the government of nations as the eme Ruler; for the meaning and pur- of life as unveiled in the matchless on of our Lord Jesus Christ; and e all for the moral counsels of the direct from God the Author, and d to every life.

In a fundamental sense the Bible reveals all there is of moral truth. But its power to influence the mind of the child is dependent on its authority. Since it is God who speaks in the Bible, then its commands, precepts, prohibitions, warnings and promises influence the mind and stamp an indelible impression on the heart. In the last analysis, the stamp of divine authority is necessary to the impartation of moral truth.

BIBLELESS EDUCATION A FAILURE

Bibleless Education is what is known as secular education. Secular education is a system of education without God in it. It does not deny the existence of God but simply assumes that God is not a necessary factor in educational training.

The secular theory *excludes all knowledge of the real origin and nature of man.* The Bible teaches that man was created in the image of God. The worth and dignity of the individual depend upon that fact. When the Bible is excluded the school teaches that man is merely the product of nature. Man's life, therefore, is without purpose or goal.

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The secular theory *takes no account of the real origin and nature of evil* in the world. This we get only from the Bible. Any system of education is seriously defective that omits this vital factor. Jesus said, "Out of the heart of men proceed evil thoughts, fornications, murders, adulteries, thefts, covetings, wickedness, deceit," etc.

The secular theory *ignores man's divinely implanted moral nature.* Man's sense of right and wrong reveals a moral nature. He is endowed with a conscience and a sense of duty. His moral faculties are related to God's moral law somewhat as the eye to light or the ear to sound. The "moral and spiritual values" published and propagated by the National Education Association are completely divorced from any reference to God as their source, therefore without moral power. They are like the coin with its superscription erased.

The secular theory *disregards the moral character of the state.* The state as already seen is a moral being capable of choosing, making decisions, of adopting policies that may be right or wrong, and is accountable to God for its actions. Since our government defines crime, enacts laws to punish those guilty of crime, and decides moral questions, moral training becomes necessary if the rising

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NATIONAL TEMPERANCE AND PROHIBITION COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS

Adopted at the Annual Meeting of the Council held in Washington, D. C., January 21-23, 1959.

Preamble

Whereas there are many areas of concern for organizations which deal with human behavioral problems, and one of the chiefest of these concerns is the problem related to alcoholic usage; and

Whereas the membership organizations of the National Temperance and Prohibition Council have found it to be their responsibility to deal with these problems of human interrelationships; and

Whereas we have a unifying organization which acts as a clearing house for our individual endeavors; therefore

Be It Resolved that we here assembled pledge to each other whatever help we can give to undergird the work which we endeavor to accomplish.

Methodist Board of Temperance

Whereas this Council has had most commodious accomodations for its meeting place through the years— the Methodist Building—made available to us at no cost to the Council; and

Whereas the Executive Secretary of the Board of Temperance, the Reverend Dr. Caradine Hooton and his able staff have done so much to make our stay a pleasant one; therefore

Be It Resolved that we hereby express our thanks and appreciation for the many courtesies extended to us by the Board of Temperance of the Methodist Church, by a rising vote, as a token of our gratitude; and

Be It Further Resolved that we go on record as expressing our deep feeling of thanks for the work done by the Board of Temperance of the Methodist Church, and pray that God will continue to bless this agency of His Church in all their endeavors.

Alcoholism

Whereas the existence of approximately five million alcoholics in our society calls for a program of rehabilitation; a

Whereas we would emphasize that pr vention of alcoholism is more importa than the cure of the disorder after occurs; therefore

Be It Resolved that the "alcohol fr way of life" is the better way of life a the surest way to reduce the number alcoholics; and

Be It Further Resolved that we urge t teaching of abstinence from the use alcoholic beverages for all—especially teen-agers and young people.

Legislation

Whereas the sale and consumption alcoholic beverages on airplanes is r garded by the Pilots and Stewards a Stewardesses Association as endangeri the safety of the flying public; and

Whereas bills have been introduced in the present Congress to prohibit the sa and consumption of alcoholic beverag on airplanes; therefore

Be It Resolved that the National Te perance and Prohibition Council will c operate to the fullest extent with the P lots and Stewards and Stewardesses As ciations and others in the endeavor secure the passage of this legislati as a safety measure.

Whereas the advertising of alcoho beverages tends to nullify and contradi all education regarding the effects of cohol on persons and personali therefore

Be It Resolved that we continue to pu sue efforts to ban the advertising of coholic beverages through interstate co merce; and

Be It Resolved that congressional l islation be sought which shall make funds expended for advertising alcoho beverages non-tax-deductible by any fi or individual engaged in manufacturing

ng any alcoholic beverages.
ereas large appropriations have been for "Representative Allowances" he State Department of our federal rnment for the purchase of alcoholic rages for entertainment purposes, fore

It Resolved that we urge the State rtment to curtail the use of alcoholic rages in the diplomatic service at and abroad.

ereas generally the defense depart- and the various branches of the d forces have employed various tech- es to destroy the effectiveness of ing legislation to prohibit the sale use of alcoholic beverages in the d services, therefore

It Resolved that we continue efforts et alcoholic beverages out of the d services through contacts with the tary of Defense.

ereas alcohol is a major contributing e of accidents on our highways; fore

It Resolved that we urge the pass- of chemical test laws which include nplied consent clause and interme- offense clauses for drinking drivers l our states.

Education

ereas the church is free to present and recognizing that instruction in ol education must begin at the est possible age, and continue gh life: We recommend that all of the hes of America:

Recognize that vital importance to ndividual church, to society, to the , and to God, of the alcohol-free-way fe. (or life free from alcoholic bev- s).

Take a clear cut and aggressive for total abstinence for the indivi- and for a society free from beverage ol.

Emphasize the alcohol-free life as ealthy and constructive life, not de- nt upon a toxic poison for supports.

Present faithfully the destructive of beverage alcohol.

Remember nothing is more important e instruction of youth than the exam- set by the leader and members of hes.

6. Be open always to truth; remember God's Word is Truth, and the Truth shall prevail.

7. Do all in love for men who are or may become the victims of the alcohol traffic; and for the glory of God whose love for us passes understanding.

Our Widening Task

Whereas we view with alarm the ever-widening problems related to the use of alcoholic beverages; and

Whereas we see no immediate solution of these problems in any one of the many disciplines represented in our Council; and

Whereas we need ever increasing amounts of grace and power from our heavenly Father to be equal to our tasks; therefore

Be It Resolved that we will seek to develop our own work with ever increasing care, through academic honesty and Christian charity; and

Be It Further Resolved that we look with favor on all constructive types of endeavor to meet the problems of drinking, looking forward to the day when, with all possible zeal, the alcohol-free way of life shall be actively promoted.

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NEWSSTAND FILTH

What You Can Do About It

(From Better Homes and Gardens)

1. Tell your friends not to buy or read any girlie or scandal magazines—even out of curiosity. Nothing will stop this filth faster than unsold magazines.
2. Check what is being sold on your neighborhood newsstands. If you see any salacious magazines, frankly say so to your dealer. He often will agree with you and remove them from display—especially if other customers object.
3. If your retailer or wholesaler is uncooperative, make your protest felt through your club, PTA, Church group, fraternal, business, or professional organization.
4. If none of this is successful, write or visit your appropriate local law-enforcement officer and bring all the facts to his attention. Many existing laws ban

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DIVINE INSTRUCTIONS RELATIVE TO NATIONS THAT REJECT GOD

(This radio message by the Rev. R. J. G. McKnight, Ph.D., delivered on "The Christian Amendment Hour" was printed in the February 24th issue of the Congressional Record at the request of Hon. James B. Utt, of California, in connection with his reintroduction of a resolution proposing a Christian Amendment to our National Constitution.)

"Down To The Revolution"

That phrase, in Justice Story's "Commentaries on the Constitution," has the deepest significance. Let us recall it, in its setting.

He says: "Every American Colony from its foundation down to the Revolution did openly, by the whole course of its institutions, support and sustain, in some form, the Christian religion." We have seen the evidence for that statement in the Rhode Island Compact, which is representative of all the colonial compacts.

To make absolutely clear that they did support and sustain the Christian religion, let us look again at the enacting clause of the Rhode Island Compact. It says: "We whose names are underwritten do solemnly, in the presence of Jehovah, incorporate ourselves into a body politic; and as He shall help, will submit our persons, lives, and estates unto our Lord Jesus Christ, the King of kings and the Lord of lords, and to all those perfect and absolute laws of His given us in His holy word of truth, to be judged and guided thereby."

Where did the men of colonial times get their conception of a proper enacting clause to stand at the beginning of a civil compact? They got it from God's holy word of truth. Two-thirds of the Old Testament deals with God's relation to nations. They had read the Bible—God's holy word of truth. They believed what they read. For example, they had read the Second Psalm.

Let us read it.

The Psalmist has taken his stand, in vision, upon a high vantage point from which he surveys the nations of the earth. He listens: he hears the sound rebellion. He waits: the picture becon clearer. Then, he speaks:

"Why do the heathen rage and people imagine a vain thing?" He scarcely believe it is true. "Yes," says, "it is true."

Verse 2: "The kings of the earth themselves, and the rulers take coun together against the Lord, and agai His Anointed, saying, Let us break th bands asunder, and cast away their co from us."

What will be the reaction of the eter God upon His high throne? The Psalm tells us: "He that sitteth in the heave shall laugh" (there is no mirth in t laugh—it is the laugh of absolute scorn "He that sitteth in the heavens sh laugh: the Lord shall have them in rision. Then shall he speak unto them his wrath and vex them in his sore d pleasure. Yet—(notwithstanding this vo rebellion) yet have I set my King up my holy hill of Zion."

Then God's "Anointed"—His eter "Son"—against whom the rebellion most vocal—steps forward to deliver inaugural address: "I will declare decree: the Lord hath said unto art my Son: this day have I begotten th Ask of me, and I shall give thee heathen for thine inheritance, and uttermost parts of the earth for th possession.' "

Christ is the only begotten Son of G To Him God the Father has given auth ity over all nations. And when "the ki of the earth * * * and the rulers t counsel together" against God and Son—whom He has anointed to reign o the nations—God has made plain w

happen: (verse 9) "Thou shalt break
n" (the nations) "with a rod of iron:
shalt dash them in pieces like a
er's vessel."
is no small thing for a nation to re-
the sovereign King whom God has
ointed to rule over all nations. The
sequences are tragic. And the history
nations is evidence that the nation
rejects God's Anointed will be shat-
d like a brittle piece of pottery under
avy blow from an iron rod. The size
e nation, the importance, the wealth,
influence, the wisdom—these things
no protection against the "rod of
," when God's hour strikes.
od is fair in His dealings with na-
s. He gives repeated warnings before
"rod of iron" strikes.
sent Moses to Egypt; Pharaoh re-
d to bow to God's demands. Egypt
down into the graveyard of nations.
d sent Jonah to Nineveh, at the peak
ssyria's dominance. The city repent-
or a period. But the repentance period
passed, and the "iron rod" descend-
and Assyria today is but a memory.
od sent Daniel to Babylon where King
uchadnezzar was boasting: "Is not
great Babylon that I have built for
house of the kingdom, by the might of
power, and for the honor of my majes-
Quite a boast. But read on: "While
word was in the king's mouth, there
a voice from heaven, saying, O King
uchadnezzar, to thee it is spoken:
kingdom is departed from thee." And
y great Babylon is buried beneath
sands of the Euphrates Valley.
d sent His servant Paul to Greece
to Rome, at a time when Greece
ted of the excellence of its human
osophy, and Rome ruled the world.
Roman legions were irrestible.
e was the eternal city—they thought.
went to Rome as a prisoner. He was
ains. He told the Romans of Christ,
of His love. He said: "I am ready to
ch the gospel to you that are at Rome
For I am not ashamed of the gospel
hrist: for it is the power (dynamite)
od unto salvation." Rome rejected
Gospel, and the "iron rod" fell and
he Roman empire was shattered like
tter's vessel. The ruins of the Coli-
seum are today a warning to powerful sinful nations. How long will it take the world to learn that battleships, airplanes and bombs mean nothing when God's hour strikes and the "iron rod" descends in wrath.

So the Psalmist counsels the nations—every nation—any nation: "Be wise now therefore, O ye Kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth. Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling. Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in Him."

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THE STATE AND THE BIBLE

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generation is to be fitted for the duties and responsibilities of citizenship.

The secular theory *fails to meet the purpose of state education,* if the purpose of that education is to train the oncoming generation to be good citizens. Good citizens are men and women of strong moral character who are God-fearing and responsible for their actions. This nation was built upon the moral principles of the Bible. It will be preserved only by a faithful adherence to those principles.

FRAME OF REFERENCE

The question of the Bible in our public schools is not a "squabble" about something unimportant but is a phase of the world struggle against materialism and communism. Secular education is the handmaid of the communistic philosophy. The question can be rightly understood only when viewed in its frame of reference.

Trinity Church Case

The broad background is the decision of the U. S. Supreme Court in the famous Trinity Church case rendered February 29, 1892, which declared this to be a Christian nation. This was a unanimous decision and has never been reversed. Therefore, the source book of Christianity, the Bible, cannot be tossed aside as but one of many sacred writings.

Preamble To State Constitution

The second part of this frame of reference is the Preamble to our State Constitution. This we have already quoted. The purpose of our State Constitution is to secure and perpetuate the blessings of freedom which comes from Almighty God.

If that purpose is to be fulfilled the State government must impart to each succeeding generation a knowledge of the true God. The Bible is the only source of that knowledge. In reality what is at stake is freedom with its attendant blessings. The greatest of our national anthems makes this clear: "Our fathers' God to Thee, *Author of liberty,* to Thee we sing."

State Supreme Court Decision

The third part of the frame of reference is the decision of our State Supreme Court in the Evans vs. Selma Union High School District rendered in January, 1924, and followed and approved in eight subsequent decisions. Here are exerpts from that first decision: "What we have said of the King James translation is equally applicable to the Douai version. Both are scholarly translations of the Bible, and neither is a book of a sectarian character within the meaning of the statute relating to school libraries"...."The Trial Court held that the Bible in the King James version was not a publication of sectarian, partisan, or denominational character, and accordingly gave judgment for the defendent" . . . . "The judgment is affirmed."

Conclusion

A nation's final extinction is preceded by a decay of the moral virtues. Moral virtues are the product of moral training as rooted in the will of God, as made known in the Word of God, the Bible. The Bible says, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." The Bible says, "Fear God and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man." The Bible is indispensable in education.

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This article prepared by the California Christian Citizens Association is available in leaflet form and may be secured from its headquarters:

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A total of 424,000,000,000 cigarets went up in smoke in the U. S. in 1958, an increase of 14,000,000,000 or 3.6% over the previous year. In addition 33,000,000,000 tax-free cigarets were shipped overseas, making a total of over 457,000,000,000 produced during the year, the industries contribution to the rapidly rising incidence of lung cancer and heart disease in this country.

A PLATFORM OF CHRISTIAN PRINCIPLI BASIC TO OUR NATION'S GOAI

Rev. Walter McCarroll, D.D.

(Adopted by the California Christ Citizens Association and presented the thoughtful consideration of all Ch tian citizens.)

1. This nation is the *product of hist* for "History as we know it began w Christ, and Christ's Gospel is its foun tion". (Pasternak in Doctor Zhivag Therefore, the first goal of our nat should be to acknowledge Christ as true source of the nation's life.

2. This nation was founded by *Ch tian men and women;* and, its idea customs, common laws and institutio were based on the teachings and pr ciples of the Christian religion—therefo these teachings and principles should basic in determining the goals of a nati

3. This nation stands for the *sepa tion of church and state* as required the First Amendment. This principle not the source of our liberties, but it an effective instrument for the preser tion of our liberties if understood as founding fathers intended. Therefore, goal of our nation should be the continu refusal to establish or support any c church or denomination, yet stoutly support its own Christian principle t "the glory of God and the good of ma kind is the reason and end of governme and therefore government in itself is venerable ordinance of God". (Great L of Pennsylvania adopted 1682).

4. This nation stands *for freedom th comes from Almighty God,* as stated many organic utterances. (See Preambl to State Constitutions). Therefore, a p mary goal should be to impart to rising generation a knowledge of the tr God through the use of the Bible,

e book of Christianity, in the class- s of its public schools.

This nation stands for the *family as ine institution,* and for the sanctity e home as the basic unit of society. efore, a primary goal should be to adequate safeguards against evils are destructive of the unity of the y; and, to protect the home in the lopment of love, loyalty, and faith d.

This nation stands for the *observ- of the Lord's Day* as a day of rest worship, as an effective means ie preservation of the rights both of and man in the life of the nation. should be one of the nation's goals.

This nation stands for the *dignity worth of the individual,* of whatever nationality or color, because creat- the image of God; for the equality l before the law; and, for the truth ll are endowed by their Creator with in inalienable rights. (See the Bill ights). Therefore, our nation's goal d be the implementing of those s.

This nation stands for the right of *te property* and private enterprise on asis of the moral law of God. There- it is against any form of forced ctivism. This should be another of ation's goals.

This nation stands for *peace on the of justice* that insures the right to liberty, and the pursuit of happiness e part of the people of each country. calls for the right of self-determina- nd self-government where the people repared for it.

This nation stands for the right of *lefense* in the broad meaning of that Armed preparedness has a necessary in self-defense as a nation but *l might* by itself is a vain thing for y. Moral and spiritual preparedness l on strong Christian convictions is more important. A sober nation set rom the corrupting and demoralizing r of the organized liquor traffic, is ıtial to self-defense. The solvency nation, the honesty of its currency, he freedom of its people are equally necessary. Self-defense in the full meaning of the word should be this nation's goal.

11. This nation stands for the right of *industry and labor to organize* for legitimate ends on the basis of the injunction "Love worketh no ill to his neighbor, therefore, love is the fulfillment of the law". Capitalism should not be confused with private property. Capitalism is a potent source of a rising standard of living but is subject to grave abuses, therefore should be regulated by law and held accountable. Labor Unions too, are a potent source of a rising standard of living but they, too, are subject to grave abuses, therefore should be regulated by law and held accountable. Both of these powerful economic forces should be subject to the Christian principles governing the conduct of all. This should be our nation's goal.

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obscenity.

5. If you receive any obscene publication through the mail, show it to your local postmaster. He will forward it to Washington for appropriate action.

6. Work to strengthen your local and State obscenity laws. Also write a letter to your Senator or Representative in Washington.

7. Learn what your teen-age children are reading—at home and away from home. If you are watchful, you may prevent needless tragedy.

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CHRISTIAN AMENDMENT IN 86th CONGRESS

A Christian Amendment to our national Constitution has been introduced in the 86th Congress by five members of the House of Representatives: Eugene Siler of Kentucky, Wint Smith and Edward H. Rees of Kansas, O. Clark Fisher of Texas, and Frank M. Clark of Pennsylvania.

In connection with their introduction of the Christian Amendment, Congressmen

FROM THE STUDY WINDOW

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I have been reading in and of Karl Marx lately, for a class I am teaching.

One of the most interesting commentators remarks that communism is a secular religion—a remark not new with him—and suggests what he means: communism, like a religion, has a world view and a program of action; it describes the origin and conquest of evil, has its superhuman powers which determine human affairs, and presents a vision of a future paradise for the faithful.

One of the factors basic to the appeal of Marx—and to his failure—is his doctrine of evil. There is evil in the world, as Marx agrees (though he would name it differently), and this evil is the exploitation of man by man.

Marx insists that the source of this evil is not in man, but in society. The capitalist is driven by the very nature of things to exploit his workmen—much of *Das Kapital* is devoted to explaining how all this works—and one capitalist is driven, by the very nature of things to exploit his fellow-capitalists. Industrial nations are driven to exploit both each other and under-developed countries—until at last the revolution comes.

Since the root of evil is not in man, but in society, Marx believes, then a radical change in society should remove evil in man. And so the picture of the future is an idyllic one, in which after a brief "dictatorship of the proletariat" state will wither away, all coercion w disappear, and the free development each will result in the free developm of all.

It should humble us that Marx is wro We can take no pride or satisfaction his mistake. We can hardly gloat becau Marx did not know how selfish we a

Nevertheless he was wrong.

During the Russian revolution, leaders were briefly carried away Marx's arguments. All sorts of "bo geois" controls and incentives were moved. Chaos resulted.

And in reaction to that, Russian co munists reverted to controls, contr more rigid than those found necessary capitalist societies. They have explan tions why this has been necessary, whi are partly convincing.

But in reality, communists have d covered disillusionedly, and demonst ted by their actions, that changes economic arrangements do not ma saints of us all.

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The Christian doctrine of evil is m realistic: that the very nature of man sinful. But Christian doctrine points way to conquest of evil through the dea and resurrection of the Son of God, deeming sinful man. The world needs demonstration—in us—that this is true.

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Siler and Clark placed in the *Congressional Record* two messages concerning the Amendment which point out that the Constitution of the United States does not contain any recognition of God. The Christian Amendment Movement is composed of Christian citizens who believe that this omission should be corrected.

The proposed Christian Amendment is made up of three sections. The first would amend the Constitution to read: "This nation devoutly recognizes the authority and law of Jesus Christ, Savi and Ruler of nations, through Whom bestowed the blessings of Almighty Go

Section 2 safeguards the rights guar teed in the First Amendment. Sectio makes provision for citizens whose ligious scruples might prevent them fr giving allegiance to the Constitution amended.

The Christian Amendment bills ha been referred to the Committee on t Judiciary of the House.